

CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION OF VICTORIA

Minutes of Council Meeting held at 55 Walsh Street,  
West Melbourne on 5 April, 1976.

Present:

Mr. H.J. Lyons (Chairman), Messrs. B. Macintosh  
E.J. Long, W. Lugg, J. Mason, C. White and  
J. Rigby (Secretary).

Apologies:

Messrs. M. Rundle and J. Schulz

Minutes:

The minutes of the last Council Meeting as  
circulated were confirmed.

Welcome:

The Chairman welcomed Mr. C. White of the Federation  
Co-op. Housing Societies.

Financial Statements:

A bank balance of \$2,391.59, and deposit at  
V.C.C.A. \$5,000.00. No accounts for payment.

Reports:

C.F.A.  
Delegates:

Mr. H. Lyons read a report of the C.F.A. Council  
Meeting. This was supported by Mr. B. Macintosh  
and 'Matters Arising from Meeting of Council'  
(copies attached).

No. of Delegates to C.F.A.

Mr. Lyons raised the point at the C.F.A. Council  
Meeting that each state should have one delegate  
attend each C.F.A. Council Meeting. This was not  
fully discussed as it had not been included on the  
agenda.

It was resolved that Victoria give notice that the  
following be placed on the Agenda for the next  
C.F.A. Council Meeting.

"That in the light of the present economic situation  
and as a cost saving and temporary measure that only  
ONE delegate from each State Federation attending  
future C.F.A. Council Meetings, both the present  
Councillors are to receive all notices, minutes, and  
any correspondence relating to C.F.A. business."

Agricultural Committee:

It was confirmed that the present Government has  
decided to defer the instigation of 'The Farmer  
Co-operative Service.'

Finance Committee:

Mr. W. Lugg also reported on this meeting and tabled  
the minutes. A lot of discussion centred around  
"Co-op. Banking - Rural Credit" and there seems to  
be quite a lot of confusion as to what is exactly  
meant by these terms and it was decided that we  
write to C.F.A. and request details of what is  
actually envisaged by these terms.

Consumer Committee:

Mr. B. Macintosh reported on the committee meeting  
and a copy of the minutes are attached. Mr. Macintosh  
also attended the meeting of Australian Federation  
of Consumer Organisation. Also the Government has not  
agreed to Finance the Survey of Small Businesses.

Co-operative  
Month:

The question of supporting a Co-operative month/week was discussed and it was generally accepted that this was a very good principle and it was decided that Councillors should consider what steps we can take to support such a program and discuss the matter at next meeting.

Next Meeting: 3 May, 1976.

Confirmed:

*G.F. Brown* 3/5/n